

REMARKS**Paragraphs 1-13 of the Office Action**

5 Claims 1, 2, 9, 10 and 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 3,378,875 to Kern in view Foster (GB patent 2263057). Claims 6-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kern in view of Foster as applied to claim 1 above, and further in view of U.S. Patent Number 3,461,476 to North. Claims 3, 4 and 5 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the
10 limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 2 and 3 have been cancelled and their limitations incorporated into amended claim 1. For this reason it is believed that claim 1 is now in condition for allowance. Claims 4-11 each ultimately depend from claim 1 and are therefore also believed to be in condition for allowance.

15 The applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection.

New Claim

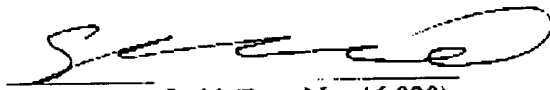
Claim 13 has been added to vary the scope of the claims. Claim 13 includes the limitations of originally filed claims 1, 2 and 4, and is therefore believed to be in
20 condition for allowance. No new matter has been added and all references therein are fully supported by the claims and specification as originally filed.

CONCLUSION

5 In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, early consideration and allowance of this application are most courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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